



## HARMONIZED PRODUCE SAFETY STANDARD (HPSS)

The GLOBALG.A.P. HPSS is a robust food safety standard designed to serve the needs of the United States fruit and vegetable producers, and those selling into the United States market. HPSS includes verbatim the Produce GAP Harmonization Initiative's Harmonized Standards. The Initiative's Technical Committee has compared its Harmonized Standards to the FSMA Produce Safety Rule to ensure alignment.

- HPSS is a GLOBALG.A.P. alternative to Integrated Farm Assurance, designed for producers choosing a food-safety-only solution.
- HPSS is recognized by Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) and accepted by retailers both in the US and beyond who seek GFSI certified sources.
- HPSS allows for Option 2-Group Certification in the GLOBALG.A.P. system.
- HPSS will aid producers in identifying FSMA requirements that must be addressed at the farm level.
- An HPSS certificate can be provided to retailers and other value-chain participants as evidence of third-party verified producer's efforts toward FSMA implementation.
- An HPSS certificate is not an assurance or guarantee of FSMA compliance, as legal compliance can only be determined by a regulatory authority, such as the United States Food and Drug Administration.

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